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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN UNORGANISED AND ORGANIZED SECTOR
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the increase overall employment in the country has been less than the growth in manpower;

(b) whether the employment generation is rising in the unorganised sector as compared to that in the organised sector;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government for employment generation in organised sector;

(d) whether the schemes for employment generation in organised and unorganised sector have been reviewed recently; and

(e) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) : Reliable estimates of labour force in the country are obtained though quinquennial labour force survey conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation. The last such quinquennial survey, for which results are available, was conducted during 2004-05 according to which the annual rate of growth of employment has been 2.95% as against 2.97% growth in labour force during 1999-2000 and 2004-05.

(b) : The employment in the unorganised sector has increased to 432.66 million in 2004-05 from 369.0 million in 1999-2000 whereas employment in the organised sector has declined to 26.44 million in 2004-05 from 27.96 million in 1999-2000.

(c) to (e): The approach paper to 11th Five Year Plan envisages creation of 70 million job opportunities (65 million in non agricultural sector). It also provides a framework to restructure policies to achieve a new vision based on faster, more broad based and inclusive growth. It aims at making employment generation an integral part of the growth process and devise strategies to accelerate not only growth of employment but also wages of the poorly paid. It also suggests that the 11th Plan should aim at raising the rate of growth of Industrial sector to 10% and manufacturing growth to 12% per annum and also place a special emphasis on infrastructure and skill formation.